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Dear Editor

Would Mr Bishop explain to the residents and myself why, if he is that concerned regarding the redevelopment of the Barber Shop site, he persists in repeating his questions in the BHN, when he could get his answers by using the avenues I suggested. Surely a more accurate method than to ask the man on site dealing with the tree!

Mr Bishop on the one hand implies that the Parish Council and I are acting in an unprofessional manner (if this is not rubbishing the Parish Council what is) but on the other hand he urges us to act totally unprofessionally and irresponsibly by illegally accessing the site to demolish the building.

Whilst writing Mr Bishop, I have never said that you or any other resident are not entitled to ask questions or voice any opinions, but unless you get the facts first, how can you ask the appropriate questions or have an informed opinion?

John Doland
9 Robin Close

Dear Editor

In October 2007 I noticed that a load of garden rubbish had been dumped by the entrance to the bridleway opposite Field View. I phoned the Parish Council at that time to report this. During the next month on my many walks, I also met John Reynolds, Roger Hall and Bunty Waters and mentioned this garden rubbish which had been dumped and all of them told me they would see to having it removed before any more garden waste was added to that already there.

On 4th May 2008 that garden waste is still there and you've guessed it – someone has recently cut down a tree and dumped the trunk on and around the existing rubbish. On 5th May the trunk has disappeared – someone has thrown it into the brook. On my various walks around Bar Hill, I've noticed that people have discarded their garden waste/trees etc around the ring road – some at the entrance to the allotments. We are told to report fly-tipping but what is the point if no action is taken?

Please keep our village tidy. You all have a green bin, but if you have too much then take it along to the council tip. You have obviously taken the trouble to put the waste on your trailer, so how about going that bit further and dumping it legally. It would be much appreciated by the residents of Bar Hill.

Name and address withheld by Editor at resident's request.

FLY TIPPING

In the first instance residents should call the Parish Council (see page 22 for contact details). I would then have to pass the information over to SCDC who should deal with it. The Parish Council does not have the means to remove green waste and dumped rubbish. If SCDC does not collect the waste, then the residents need to contact me or SCDC again, as I have no way of knowing if it has been collected without physically going round the village every day.

Many thanks *Leigh Baffa* Parish Clerk

Dear Editor

Thanks to everybody who helped and supported the Charity Football Match for the Simon York Memorial Cup. It was the old playing friends of Simon's idea to have this match and I am pleased to report we raised £506 for the ECMO Unit at the Glenfield Hospital in Leicester. This will be an annual event and a different charity will be chosen each year.

These past few weeks since Simon's death have been very difficult for us and the support and offers of help have been very welcome and much appreciated. It is at times like these that you find out how many friends one has and what a great place Bar Hill is to live.

Thanks once again from my family.

Jon York

Dear Editor

I understand that there is a campaign to knock down the old barber's shop at the entrance to the village. I am disgusted with this, surely this building is of historic value and part of Bar Hill's heritage. I believe it began life as an estate agents - just think of the hundreds of hopeful young couples who must have passed through it before buying a home in the village. Then, of course, it became a barber's shop, I remember taking my sons there - just the once, mind you! Why do people get so worked up about a shed? I don't notice it when I drive by, and some are suggesting it is lowering house prices in Bar Hill: come on, get real!

I'd also like to say, if you don't like Bar Hill or its community - move somewhere else. And if you don't like Tesco's don't shop there. I worked part time at Tesco's when my children were younger, as did and still do lots of other people from Bar Hill and was glad to do so. Money was tight and not every village has an employer which offers such flexible hours within walking distance. Not only that, if your kettle or tin opener breaks at 11 o'clock at night, you can pop down and buy a new one - so give Tesco's a break!

Keith Bentley
Appletrees

Sid and Ruby Hunt are now at home after our time in hospital and are both making progress. We would like to thank all those who sent get well wishes and cards (84 in total). We are both appreciative of your kind thoughts.

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On **Saturday 7th June** we will be holding our bi-monthly Book Sale. If it is nice weather we might hold it outside the Library. There will be the usual bargains for all.

Stuart Antrobus will be giving a talk in the Library on "The Women's Land Army" on **12th June at 7 pm.** Refreshments will be served during the evening. Tickets will be available in the Library and it promises to be a nostalgic evening. Please come along and share your experiences. If you have any interesting items of the period, please bring them along too.

Sheila Mason

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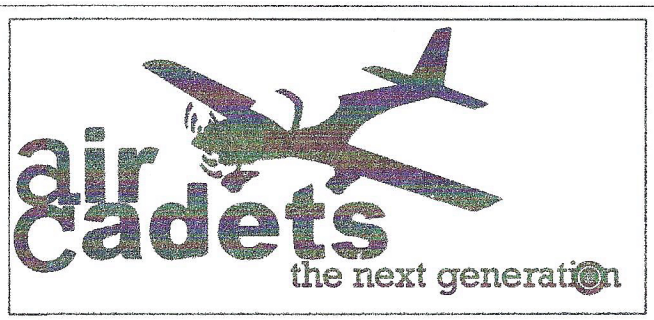
5th June Visit to Botanic Gardens

19th June Case History – describe your suitcase and where it has travelled At: Di's

3rd July Literary Quiz – A good read (research a book) At: Bobby's

Bar Hill group welcomes women of all ages, we would love to see you, do give it a try – it's only £1.00 per evening to cover costs.

If you would like more information, or someone to accompany you to a meeting please do not hesitate to call Bobby Colver on 781662 or Heather Wheeler on 781208. You can also find us on www.nwr.org.uk it's worth a look!



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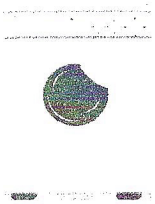

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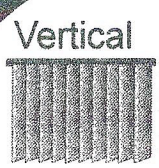
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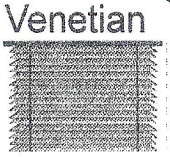
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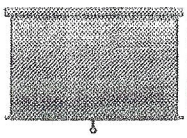
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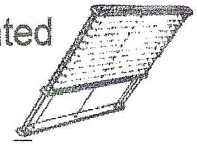
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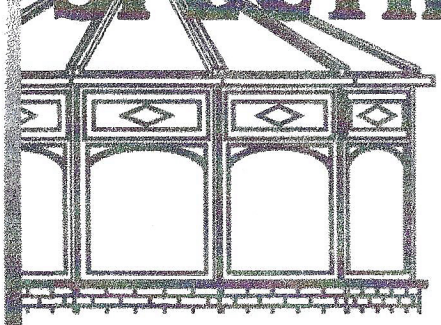

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We encourage all current, lapsed and new members to come along and play on the courts. Please encourage your family, neighbours and friends to come down to our club social nights to play some tennis. We welcome players of **all** abilities. Tennis is an excellent way to keep fit and enjoy the summer evenings in a relaxed and friendly environment.

Court Timetable:

Mondays	May-beg of Aug: 6-9 pm (dates to be confirmed)	Men's/Mixed Team Matches
Tues and Thurs	15th Apr- 25th Sept: 7-9 pm	Adult Club Social Nights

The Bar Hill Primary School will use the courts in the summer term at dates to be confirmed.

Generally, there will be free use of the courts to all members outside of these times.

Annual Subscriptions:

These became due from 1st April 2008. We have kept the subs at the same price as last season so you can all enjoy the courts at no extra cost!

Adult Membership: £35

Junior Membership: £15

Family Membership (1 or 2 adults plus children up to age of 16): £75

Guests of members may occasionally use the courts accompanied by members for £2 per person/session.

Wimbledon Tickets: We have some pairs of show court tickets for the 2008 Wimbledon Championships which we offer at cost price to paid-up members. The draw took place on 27th May at 7 pm at the club courts.

There will be free, public access to the courts during the weekends of the Wimbledon fortnight (28-29th June and 5-6th July from 10-5pm).

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Please feel free to contact us if you have any queries or comments.

CRICKET CLUB

Bar Hill firsts and seconds got their league campaigns off to a winning start as the sun finally broke through and dried out the pitches.

The firsts, having seen their opening match against Barley cancelled, made up for lost time with a five-wicket win at Little Shelford.

Steve Holt took 5 for 50 as the hosts were restricted to 184 for 7 on a perfect batting pitch. Scott Stanford then launched the Bar Hill reply with a quickfire 65, while Mark Thompson added 31 and Sam Clare 25 not out as victory was achieved.

The seconds posted 141 for 6 at home to Chatteris II, with Dave Fletcher hitting 39 not out. A superb all-round bowling performance then saw the visitors crumble to 75 all out, with Dave Underhay picking up lifetime best figures of 4 for 16, while Barry Driver conceded only seven runs in his 10 overs.

The friendlies also proved a success as Girton were dispatched for only 31 as Priyal Perera and Adam Dean took two wickets each. Bar Hill had earlier been bowled out for 97, 31 of which were scored by Stanford..

Meanwhile, in the President's Match against a team of Bar Hill "veterans", Bar Hill proved victorious with Chris Howse the pick of the day's bowlers with 4-15.

The youth teams also got their first taste of action, although with not quite as much success. The under-15s were knocked out of the cup by 12 runs at the hands of Cambridge St Giles, despite Michael Whyatt taking three wickets and Fraser Leader hitting 41.

The under-12s were at a numerical disadvantage against Over but battled gamely to take the match the full distance. Zak Gedny's 15 not out was the top score.

Youth training is on Tuesday nights at 6.30 pm on the Village Green.

Membership for youth players costs just £15 per year, which includes all training sessions and matches. Anyone who has not already joined can just turn up on a **Tuesday night,** or contact our youth co-ordinator Simon Smith on 200207.

We are particularly looking for under-12 and under-14 players at the moment.

For new adult members or any other queries, contact me on the number below.

As ever, keep up to date with the latest news by visiting the club website, www.barhillcricket.org.uk

June fixtures at the Village Green:

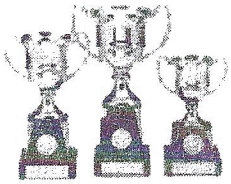
Wed 4: Histon (under-14)
Thur 5: Granta (under-12)
Sat 7: Longstowe (first XI)
Mon 9: City of Ely (under-15)
Sat 14: March Town IV (second XI)
Sun 15: Club 20-20 tournament
Wed 18: Wilbrahams (under-14)
Thur 19: Wilburton (under-12)
Sat 21: Thurlow (first XI)
Wed 25: Cottenham (under-14)
Thur 26: Wilburton (under-15)
Sat 28: Cokenach (first XI)

Paul Stimpson
782475

BARHILL COLTS F.C

Phew, all fixtures have now been played, and although we did not quite achieve the 1000 goals – an impressive 985 goals have been scored from 208 league games played this season. With 131 victories and only 60 defeats, the Club has had the best season for many years - all teams should be very proud of their efforts.

A Colts League presentation is to be held at the Corn Exchange on Sunday 8 June (afternoon) where the following teams will be presented with their medals for their achievements this season, Our Club has never had so many teams being represented:



- Under 16 - champions in Division16d
- Under 17 - runners up in Division 17b
- Under 13 - runners up in Division 13d
- Under 11 - runners up in Division 11a

START OF SOMETHING NEW…

The Under 7's played their first ever organised games when they took part in the 'Let the Children Play' Festival on the weekends of 20 and 27 April. They did well in their first game, but lost against a good Cottenham team, whose goals included a 'wonder goal'. However, the squad of **Erin Fox, Nathan Webb, Harry Sargent, Luke Shanahan, John Leggett, Liam Rabel, Sam Stevens and James DeBono** did not lose heart. They won the last game and all showed a great attitude over an enjoyable day. At the end of the day they had won 1, drawn 1 and lost 2. The second weekend's fixtures saw the addition of **Molly Sobey** and **Nadia Pond** to the squad, and a day of improved results. The team started as they finished the previous week, by winning against Teversham and Bottisham. They won 2, drew 1 and lost the last game against a Willingham team who were unbeaten for the day.

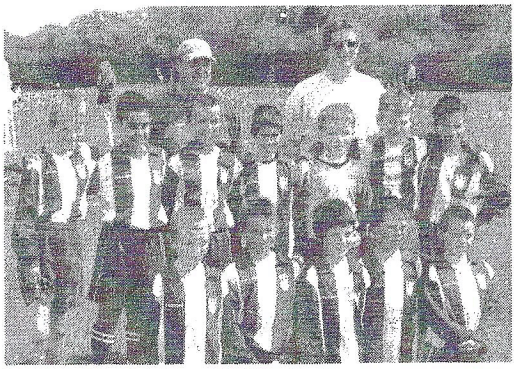
"A big thanks to **Janet Shanahan** and **Georgie Sargent** for helping to get the team this far, and to all those who supported the team over the two weekends, especially in the rain"-**Tim Parker**

UNDER 10's DO IT AGAIN

Bar Hill Colts under 10s won their league with a 2-1 victory against a strong Walpole Warriors team in division 10A. Finishing top for two years on the trot has been a great achievement for the lads. With all our pre-,match nerves out of the way the final match of the season got under way with a large following from Bar Hill making the journey to Cambridge cheering the lads on. They did not have long to wait as **Jack Murray** scored the first striking the ball into the back of the net.

Walpole tried to get back into the game but the Bar Hill defence held strong, throughout the first half. Bar Hill kept attacking and came very close on a few occasions. Just before half time Walpole equalised from a good cross.

After a half time team talk the lads went out with a positive attitude and played some great football dominating the second half and soon going 2-1 up through a fantastic individual goal from **Jack Humphreys**. Every player played their part in the game with the defence being rock solid, midfield being in control and the strikers keeping their goalkeeper busy. Eventually the final whistle was blown and the celebrations began. Thank you for all the support throughout the season, CHAMPIONS AGAIN (below)



DEVILS FOR THE LAST TIME

The Season has ended for the Under 17s with a fantastic few games played in the cup and league, with the lads missing out on their second cup of the year after a tense game against Fulbourn who are top of division 17a. The Cup game was a great scrap with the Devils deservedly taking the lead, only for Fulbourn to come back and eventually win the game 4-2.

Also surprising Histon Academy in the Under 18's Floodlit cup, to which they were invited, at the Glass World Stadium. Although they lost the game the Devils had the better of the 1st half playing some excellent football with stand in 'keeper **Simon Skinner** making some outstanding saves. "Thanks to all that came to support us on that evening."

After a mid season mini slump losing against two of the bottom four sides in the league, the boys again had some hard matches to finish and ended up a fantastic second in a very competitive league. The lads have had a long hard season and are all very proud to have taken some silverware and to be getting a runners up medal, in their last season together.

Nigel Barber (12 years) and **Kevin Hard** (10 years) along with their physio, linesman, ball and water boy - **Mick Pool** have decided to call it a day. Our contribution to the success of the Bar Hill Colts includes 5 years as Chairman and Vice Chairman and Child Welfare officer between us as well as helping the Cambs FA to develop their Child Protection Policy. We wish all success to the Colts for the future.

CELEBRATION IN THE VILLAGE

Next month's edition will have pictures and news from the huge end of season bash, to be held in the Village on 14 June. This event will take place on the Green from 2 pm onwards where all the teams at the club will come together to celebrate all the success'…Can't Wait!!!

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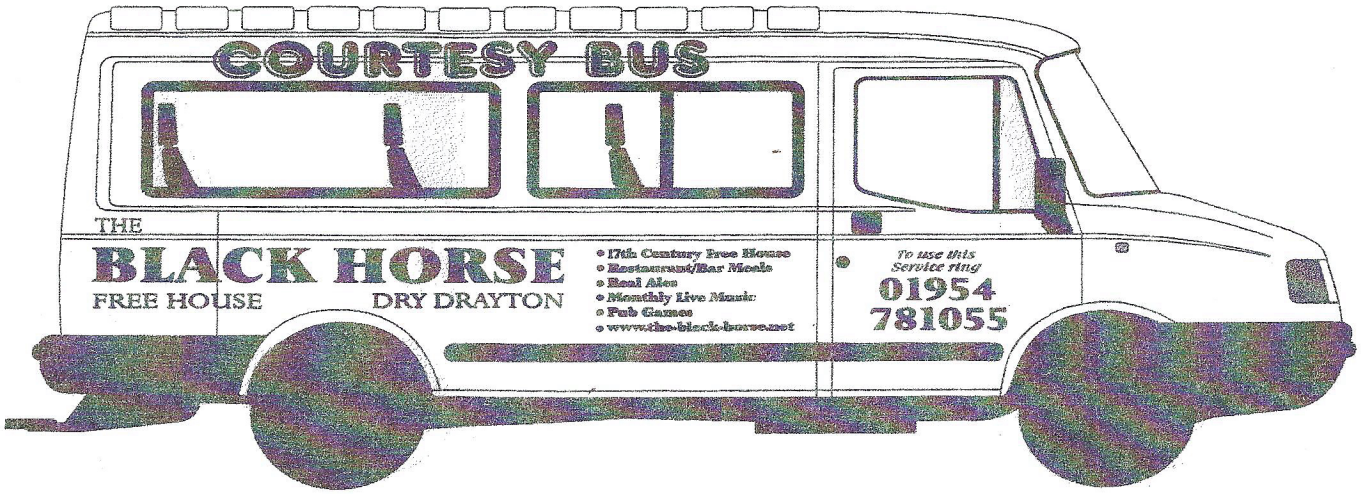

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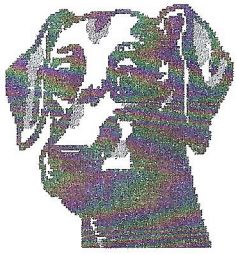

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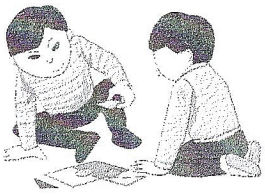
The officers of the Management Committee are:

Chairperson Alan Hewings
Secretary Paul Thorby
Treasurer Jairo Marin

Parent and Toddler Group



Bar Hill parent and toddler group is a welcoming and friendly charity group run by a committee of parents to provide play and socialising for children (and parents) from 0-4 years of age. The sessions run Wednesdays and Fridays from 9.45 to 11.15 am during term time and are held in the Octagon. Both sessions provide a wide range of activities which include arts and crafts, puzzles, dressing up, role play and a wide range of outdoor toys (weather permitting).

The cost of each session is £1.90 for the first child and £1.00 per sibling up to a maximum of £3.00 per family or childminder. Under ones are free if accompanied by an older child. This fee includes refreshments for both parent/carer and children.

For any more info' please call Hanna on 200232 or Lisa on 201902.

Bar Hill Fete: this will take place on Sat 5th July and we will be running a tombola stall for both adults and children. **Any donations will be gratefully received.**

ATTENTION: It is with much regret to announce that we will be losing Georgie our session leader at the end of the summer term, as she is moving on to pastures new. We will need a **new toddler session leader** from September on Wednesday and Friday mornings 9.15 till 11.45. The job would entail good liaising with children, planning creative activities, setting up and putting away, singing at the end of each session and the preparing of snacks and drinks for the children and their carers. Our committee will also provide you with great support at all times.

If you or anyone you know would be interested in this position **please do not hesitate to contact** us as soon as possible. Please call Hanna on 01954 200232 or Lisa on 01954 201902.

Excellence and Enjoyment On A Bar Hill School Educational Outing

In the Infants at Bar Hill School, school trips have been planned to enhance the curriculum. One of our Year 2 pupil's, Jun McRobbie, gives an account of our recent visit to the Science Museum in London. This article illustrates how much the children enjoy and learn from these experiences. Our topic this summer term is castles and we shall be visiting Mountfitchet Castle.

Our School Trip To The Science Museum In London

By Jun McRobbie

On Monday the 4th February we went to the Science Museum with all the Infants. When we got there Mrs Lacey took us straight to the pattern pod and it was really, really fun.

After the pattern pod we went to eat our lunch just next to the garden where we were going next. Then we moved on to the garden. Here was one of my favourite parts of the Museum. There were three zones, the water zone, the building zone and the sound zone. First I went to the sound zone but then an adult said that I could go in the building zone.

Mrs Lacey asked me and Anna if we had been in the water zone and we said no so we went to the water zone. I played in the water zone for almost all the time but then I went back to the building zone because I was getting too wet in the water zone.

Then we went back into the coach. In the middle of our journey we went to the space walk and I saw some steam engines. When we were all settled we headed back to school. When we got back it was four something and the other coach was really, really late. I enjoyed all of it.

That is my day at the Science Museum!

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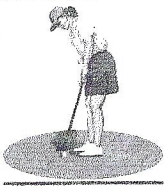


Come and meet us and have a go at Golf

Sunday 22nd June 2008 2-4 pm.

We would like to invite you to come along to the golf club at 2 pm that day to have a coffee and a go at playing golf.

Both NEW and EXPERIENCED Lady Golfers are welcome. No experience needed – just the wish to try to play golf. All equipment will be provided.

For more details and to register please call Rosemary Hay 01954260536 or email rosemary.hay@sky.com

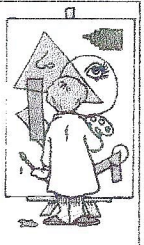
We look forward to welcoming you to the golf club.

Rosemary Hay

Searchlights Extra plus Holiday Club Registration for 2008

Saturday 14th June from 2.30 – 4:30 pm
at Bar Hill Church.
If you have no idea what we get up to at Bar Hill church with our children's work, then come along and see what we do at Holiday Club, whilst your children have fun at Searchlights Extra.
For school age Reception to Year 6.
The theme for the afternoon is using our God given talents together, with fun stories, songs, games and special guests **Snail Tales**.
Please contact Linda King, Children's Work Co-ordinator on 01954 780924 for further details and to book. Cost per child £2.00

DRY DRAYTON ART GROUP SUMMER ART EXHIBITION



You are warmly invited to visit the exhibition in Dry Drayton Church
On Thursday 3rd July and Friday 4th July between 10 am and 4 pm, Saturday 5th July between 10 am and 5 pm

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TEXTILE EXHIBITION

Come along to Wimpole during the summer, and combine a visit to the Park, Farm and Hall with the 'smallCHAT 2008' Art Textile Exhibition. For many people this exhibition has been their first experience of viewing textiles as art, and, from comments received, both spoken and written, we know that surprise and delight at the variety, scale, content as well as the decorative elements have been some of the reactions!

The Exhibition runs at Wimpole from **Saturday 12th July to Thursday 7th September.** For details of times see www.wimpole.org.

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On 28th April a burglary was reported from the Fire Station at Papworth where **cutting equipment was taken.** Clearly this is a particularly concerning crime given that this equipment is vital for the protection of life. However I am sending this message to also make you aware of the **potential connections with cable thefts.** Since the start of the year we have had 8 offences in South Cambs of theft of BT cable.
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PCSO *Karen Mahoney*

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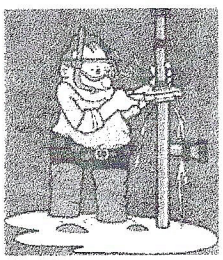

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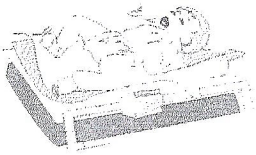
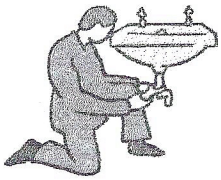


The Under Ones meet on a Tuesday, 10 till noon, in the Church Octagon (term time only). All are welcome – expectant and new mums, carers, grandparents, fathers. Refreshments are 50p. There are toys and books, and full changing facilities. It's a great chance to chat and relax, while babies sleep or play, and make new friends.

Contact Alwyn Keeves on 781050

Anyone interested in **Papercrafts** (card making, scrapbooking etc) and who would like to meet up with like minded people to share ideas and have a natter over some crafting please contact Mandi on 07754 543006 or email mandisav@btinternet.com



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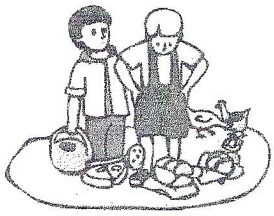
Bar Hill Childminders



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Childminders with current vacancies are:-

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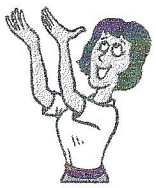
Coffee and Kids

Run by Bar Hill Childminders for parents/carers/childminders of babies and pre-school children. Come and join us on Thursdays (term time only) in the Octagon (Church buildings) from 10 am – 11.30 am. £1.80 per adult. Price includes coffee/tea/hot chocolate for adults, soft drinks and healthy snacks for children. We have a large range of indoor and outdoor toys and a safe soft play area for babies. Call Debbie on 201739 for more details.

Wanted - 2 host families -
from Friday July 11th to Thursday July 17th (6 nights). Bed, breakfast and evening meal (probably not every night as we will feed them all together on a couple of nights) - £90.



'Guests' will be Italian boys (Federico and Giacomo) aged 14. Both have limited English but impeccable manners! - and it would be wonderful if you have children a similar age. They really need to practise speaking English as they have important school exams coming up. They will be with us during the days. We will have a 14 year old girl, Alessandra, staying with us and our daughter (Jacqui) will be giving them lessons each day - or taking them on trips.

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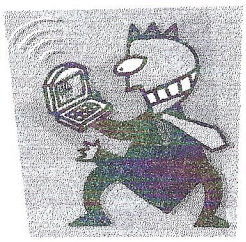
DID YOU FIND THE ANSWERS?

Solutions to May's wordsearch

Applejack, Beverage, Brandy, Coffee, Muscat ,
Ouzo, Squash, Whisky, and Winox
Anagram: Champagne

LOCK UP YOUR CAR!

With the nice weather on its way ..... (I hope) and the evenings staying light we are sending out advice in relation to **theft from motor vehicles whilst parked up in beauty hotspots**. These areas can be targeted at this time of year with people going on evening walks and picnics.



We are asking people to make sure that they do not leave any valuables on show such as wallets, mobile telephones, sat navs and laptops. Make sure that these are either kept on you in person and larger items stored in the boot and out of sight.

Ensure that the vehicle is left secure and that doors are locked and windows are done up.

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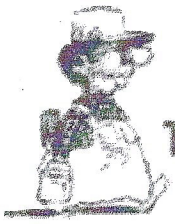

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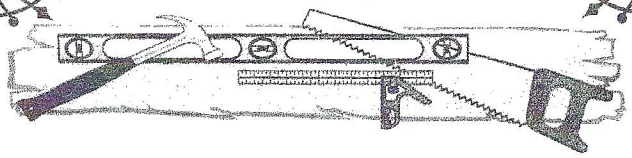

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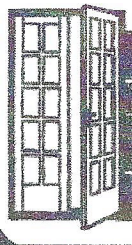

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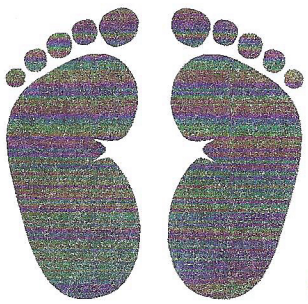

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RECIPES FOR CAKE COMPETITION

Full details and entry forms for the Cookery Competition will be printed in the Fête Programme. This will be delivered mid June

Apple Fruit Cake

Grease and line a 6" tin.

Ingredients

8oz S.R Flour
3 oz marg
3 oz sugar
½ teaspoon ground cinnamon
1 egg
6 oz cooking apples peeled, cored and diced (weight when prepared)
3 oz sultanas or raisins
Milk required
1 oz Demerara sugar for topping

Method

Preheat oven to 180 degrees, gas mark 4. Rub marg into flour, add sugar, cinnamon, apples, dried fruit and egg. Mix very thoroughly, if necessary add a little milk, but mixture should be sticky. Spoon mixture into tin and smooth and sprinkle with sugar. Cook for approx for 1 hour but lower temp if necessary after 50 mins. Cool for 10 mins in tin and then turn out and cool on rack.

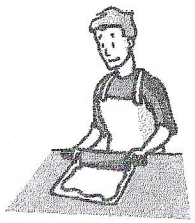
Ginger and Date Cake

Cooking time 50 mins
7 oz S.R Flour
1tsp bicarbonate of soda
1tsp ground ginger
2 oz margarine
2 tablespoons golden syrup
1-2 oz sugar
2-3 oz chopped dates
1 egg
3 tablespoons of milk

Method

Line a tin 7"x 4" with greaseproof paper. Sift dry ingredients together. Put marg, golden syrup and sugar into pan and heat gently until melted. Allow to stand for a few minutes and then add to the dry mixture together with the egg. Heat the milk in a pan which has syrup mix in. Add to cake mixture. Beat well. Spoon into tin and cook at 180 degrees in the centre of the oven for 50 mins approx. Leave in tin to cool for 20 mins and then turn out.

Bacon Turnovers



Pastry 12 oz flour
6 oz fat

Filling

4 oz bacon rashers
2 cooked leeks or onion – chopped
8 oz cooked potatoes – diced
1-2 tbls chopped parsley or sage
1-2 oz grated cheese

Make the pastry in the usual way. Grill and chop the bacon, cool and mix with the leeks, potatoes, herbs and cheese. Cut the pastry into 4 rounds. Put the filling in the centre of each, moisten the edges and fold over to seal. Brush with milk
Bake in a middle hot oven until crisp and brown.
Serve hot or cold.

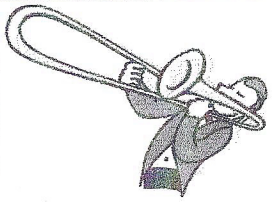
ROGUE TRADER ORDERED TO PAY 93-YEAR-OLD VICTIM COMPENSATION

A specialist task force designed to tackle rogue traders has been successful in claiming back £2,500 from a builder who targeted a 93-year-old man, claiming his house needed work. Builder Shane Nedic, 51, of Brockholt Road, Caxton, cold called on the elderly resident from the Cambridge area claiming the exterior of the man's house needed improvement.

The man, who has not been named, was told a price of £1,500, given a quote of £2,500 and then this rocketed to £4,500 as the work progressed. Nedic, pleaded guilty to a charge under the Consumer Protection (Cancellation of Contracts Concluded Away From Business Premises) Regulations 1987 for failure of giving a seven day cancellation notice. He was ordered to pay compensation to his victim of £2,500 and to pay legal costs of £500. He was also given a two year conditional discharge.

John Reynolds

Bar Hill Village Fête

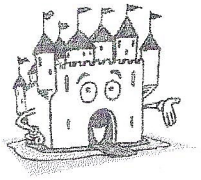


The Bar Hill Village Fête remembers the 1940's this year. There will be a vintage tractor and classic car display, Happy hours members are putting their memories into a display in the Village Hall during the afternoon. And in the evening we are lucky enough to have the fantastic 'The Spitfire Ball' a live show with music, dancing and comedy from the 1940's.

For the younger generation we have loads of fun planned, Bouncy Assault Course, Castle, Go Karts, Penalty Shoot Out and much more.

To keep you going throughout the day and evening we have an excellent range and supply of food ~ hot and cold, healthy and not so healthy!

Look out for the **Fête Programme coming through your door soon** for full information of the day's events.



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Email: bhillpc-1@btconnect.com

Parish Council Web Site – www.barhillpc.org.uk.
This will keep you up to date on current affairs in the village including meeting minutes and agenda.

Information Centre
Planning Approval has now been granted by SCDC. A few conditions are attached but these will be sorted very shortly. The Building Contractors are standing by!

For all you regular walkers out there
The County Council has produced a Countryside Access Map entitled "Walks and Rides around the Northstowe Hundred". A very interesting history of the local countryside and lots of pleasant walks and bike rides for you enthusiasts. If you would like a map please call in to the office as I have been given a substantial supply.

Lost Property
The Parish Council Office now looks like a lost property office. Five bikes are now at the back of my office (all children's or young adults). Also some binoculars were found on the village green a couple of weeks ago. If you have lost your digital camera in May, it could be in my office. Lastly a set of keys was put through my letterbox on 13th May.

Casual Vacancy
We still have a casual vacancy for a Parish Councillor to join our team. If you feel that you would like to contribute towards the future of the village, please contact me, in writing by 20th June. I will then send you further information.

Police Surgery
Karen Mahoney, our PCSO, is holding police surgeries in the Parish Council Office every third Wednesday in the month between 10 am and 12 noon. If you have any issues you would like to raise with the Police please come along and see her. No appointment necessary.

Parish Council Meetings
The next monthly Parish Council meeting will be on Thursday 19th June at 7 pm in the Parish Council Office and all members of the public are welcome to attend.

HANDY TELEPHONE NUMBERS
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South Cambs District Council: (01223) 443000
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County Council (damaged paths and roads): (01223) 717111

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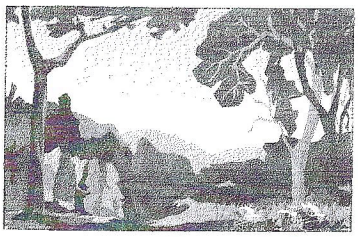
Sports and Social Club

The membership draw has finally been won at the grand sum of **£975!** Congratulations to the winners. This form of membership draw will now cease and in its place will be 'Shut the Box' – details at the Social Club.
The draw dates for June are the **7th and 21st**. Come along and play the new game, it promises to be very exciting.

Bar Hill **Fête Day** is just around the corner – **Saturday 5th July**. The Social Club are sponsoring **'The Spitfire Ball'** in the evening and will be open as normal 12 noon – midnight – all visitors welcome.
Watch out for further entertainment dates or visit our website www.bhssc.org.uk.
See you soon
Julie Circuit

COUNTY FARMS IMPROVE ACCESS TO WOODLAND AT RAMPTON



Cambridgeshire County Council Farms Estate has completed work to open up and improve access to woodland at Giants Hill, Rampton.
Work included cutting out self-seeded and sucker growth trees, clearing brambles and cutting back over-hanging branches from oak trees. A bridge on the Cottenham side of the site was repaired and a bridge between the new plantation and the old wood on the north side of the area was replaced.
But the **biggest improvement was the removal of a narrow bridge and steps on the east side of Lover's Walk.** The crossing was replaced with a 1.2 metre wide **continuous bridge which spans a dyke and dry ditch** - the new bridge is16 metres long and has opened up the access to a wide range of users, including families with prams and wheelchair users.
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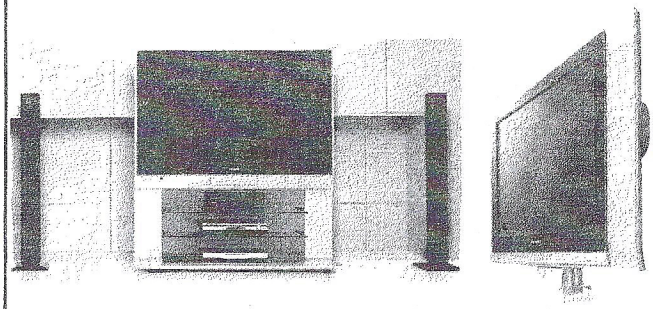

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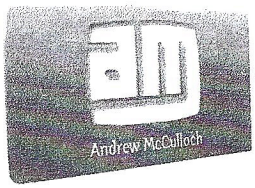

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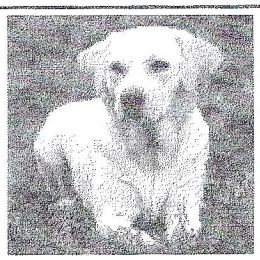

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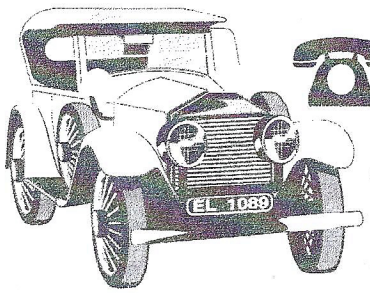
Should you require any further details please do not hesitate to call Amanda Bishop on 07903806750



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During the holidays we have themed activities, which the children are involved in choosing, as they are with many other issues, such as outings etc – as it is their Club, they even chose its name. The children are given a snack, such as pasta or filled pittas, followed by a biscuit and fresh fruit. We also make birthday cakes to celebrate each child's birthday, which are shared.

We are registered with OFSTED, and we accept employers' childcare vouchers.

Session Times

After School 3.10 pm – 6 pm Monday – Friday
School Holidays 8.15 am – 6 pm Monday – Friday
Closed on Bank Holidays

Hiring

Our large room is available for hire for parties and meetings etc. £6 per hour, £10 for kitchen (per booking) minimum hire charge of £20.

We currently have some vacancies, both after school and during the holidays. If you would like more information, an information pack or to arrange a visit, call Patsie on 201079 or 07921 541549.

Patsie Ostler
Bar Hill Out Of School Club

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Our Key worker system enables the early years team to meet the needs of each individual child through planning their own individual educational plan and next steps.

Subsidised places

We offer reduced sessions rates for parents/carers on Income Support/Working tax credit. We also accept child care vouchers from your employer.

Early Years Funding

We can offer 5 free sessions when your child is eligible, currently the term after their 3rd birthday.

Play Tots Session

9.15 - 10.45 Tuesday

This is our session for babies to Pre-School with Emma our Birth to Three Co-ordinator. We have lots of fun and a large selection of activities, including our new soft play den and toys especially for the tots. Sessions are held on a pay as you play basis. Drinks and healthy snacks are provided.

Rising 5's session

This session is for children in their final year at Pre-School. This is a more structured session preparing them for school entry.

Session Times

Monday	9.00 - 11.30	12.30 - 3.00
Tuesday	Play tots	12.30 - 3.00
Wed	9.00 - 11.30	12.30 - 3.00
Thursday	9.00 - 11.30	12.30 - 3.00
Friday	9.00 - 11.30	12.30 - 3.00 (rising fives)

We offer a lunch club 11.30 - 12.30 daily

For more information please contact the Pre-School direct on (01954) 782892 during session times or feel free to pop in and see us.

Alternatively contact Sarah our session allocation Co-ordinator on (01954) 781871 before 7 pm weekdays.

Please note we are currently taking applications for 2008/09 entry

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REPORT BY COUNTY COUNCILLOR JOHN REYNOLDS

Consultation On Tackling Congestion

Results from Cambridgeshire County Council's congestion consultation released last week show the majority of Cambridgeshire residents believe congestion in and around Cambridge is a serious problem and believe residents need to change their travel behaviour to ease congestion.

The consultation results are available at www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/congestion

The breakdown of results by District has now been provided and is available on our website at:
www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/NR/rdonlyres/833CCD89-B1BE-436A-B3F1C9726E97261A/0/AB20269AdditionalTablesbyDistrict080508.pdf

HCV Parking

Many villages up and down the A14 are suffering from overnight stopping of HCV's. The closure of the Night Owl truck stop at Alconbury has extending this problem. There are around 20,000 HCV's of all types using the A14 every day. So what can be done to reduce the problems? I have raised the issue of illegal parking on both industrial estates and on village roads in the area with the Police, actions has been taken and we are pressing for this to be continued. The County Council is leading on this by arranging to hold meetings with organisation to identify and implement solution. Among the many options for consideration will be; securing the re-opening the Night Owl, using Alconbury Airfield, identifying new stopping sites and extend existing ones along the route of the upgraded route of the A14, restrictive signing, more effective policing. None of this can be achieved without the full support of all our partners.

John Reynolds

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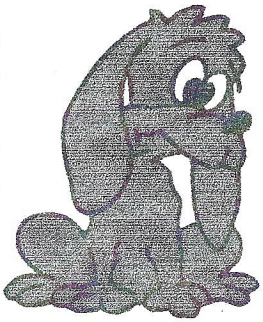
REPORT BY DISTRICT COUNCILLOR BUNTY WATERS

STRAY DOGS



From April the Police no longer have a legal responsibility for stray dogs and are not legally obliged to accept any that are brought to them. This means SCDC now has sole responsibility for dealing with stray dogs found within the district. However, a partnership agreement between Cambridgeshire Police, SCDC and Cambridge City Council has been signed to help ensu dogs are not left straying and to assist reuniting owners with their lost dogs.

Under the agreement Cambridgeshire Police will accept stray dogs found within the district outside normal office hours and at weekends at Parkside Police Station, Parkside, Cambridge. They will be held there until they can be transferred by Cambridge City Council's dog warden to SCDC's kennels. Members of the public who find a stray dog within normal office hours can still either take the dog straight to Wood Green Animal Shelter in Godmanchester or contact SCDC who will arrange to collect it as soon as possible.

Anyone who has lost their dog and needs to contact Parkside Police Station should call 0845 456 456 4 and ask for the Parkside Enquiry Office. During office hours SCDC can be contacted on 08450 450500. Wood Gre Animal Shelter can be contacted on 08701 90 40 90.
Please contact me on 201421 / 07734690580 or bunty.waters@ntlworld.com

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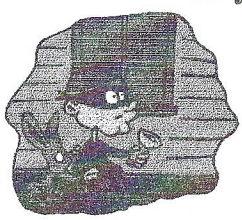
Do you currently operate a Neighbourhood Watch scheme in your street?



The purpose of Neighbourhood Watch is to cut crime, provide reassurance to local residents and reduce the fear of crime and anti-social behaviour. It also encourages neighbourliness and close communities as well as improving quality of life for local residents. This can be achieved by working in partnership and sharing information with the police, local authorities and other agencies to reduce crime and disorder. Itcan be done by identifying issues of local concern, monitoring and reporting on anti-social behaviour and any other concerns.

Are you are living in an area and would like to set up a scheme? This can be done:
Speak to your neighbours about your ideas on setting up a scheme. In order for your scheme to work you will need **strong, committed and active support from your immediate neighbours**. You can contact your local PCSO which is myself and **I can provide you with further details** in relation to setting up a scheme. Once you are a registered and your scheme is up and running the NHW Co-ordinator will receive voice mail messages from the police in relation to any incidents/crimes you need to aware of in your area. These will not always be regular as they may not be anything to report to you.
We encourage members of the public to **subscribe to E-Cops**, this can be done by visiting www.cambs.police.uk and simply following the instructions. You will receive regular up-to-date information for your area including crime prevention advice, panel meeting dates and much more. It does not cost to subscribe, so pass this on to your friends, relatives and neighbours.

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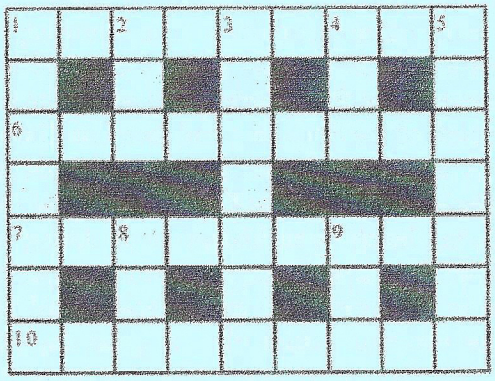
Answers for May

Across: 1. Ambleside 6. aftermath 7. rear-guard 10. macadamia

Down: 1. anagram 2. bat 3. enraged 4. Ida 5. echidna 8. arc 9. arm



June clues

Across: 1. very afraid 6. unworn garment = State, 3 + 6 letters 7. the island continent 10. decide

Down: 1. drinking vessel 2. argue 3. got it wrong, 2 + 5 4. --- and buts 5. not treated at night 8. solidify 9. garland

Bar Hill Ecumenical Church -
Services for June 2008

Sunday 1st June	10.00 am	Holy Communion
	6.30 pm	Creative Prayer
Sunday 8th June	8.00 am	Holy Communion
	10.00 am	Quaker Meeting
	6.30 pm	Evening Worship
Sunday 15th June	10.00 am	Holy Communion
	6.30 pm	Evening Prayer
Sunday 22nd June	10.00 am	All Age Worship
	6.30 pm	Holy Communion
Wednesday 25th June	10.00 am	Holy Communion
Sunday 29th June	10.00 am	Morning Worship
	6.30 pm	Quiet Prayer

There is also a Roman Catholic Mass at 6.00 pm on Saturday evening

People to contact:

The Minister	Rev Ruth Adams	Tel: 78936
Church Centre Manager	Helen Cook	Tel/Fax: 206120

Website—www.barhillchurch.com

The Catholic Church of Our Lady and the English Martyrs
Hills Road, Cambridge
(The Catholic Church serving Bar Hill)

Parish Priest:	Mgr Tony Rogers	Tel: 01223 350787
Deacons:	Revd Robert Joyce, Tony Northrop and Tony Sutton	
Local contact:	Bunty Waters	Tel: 201421

Mass at Bar Hill Church Centre **Saturdays: 6 pm First Mass of Sunday**

Masses in the Parish Church in Cambridge

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday	8 am and 12.15 pm
Tuesday	8 am and 7.30 pm
Saturday	6 pm First Mass of Sundays

Also 5 pm at The Ark, Cambourne, and 6 pm at Bar Hill Church Centre

Holydays of Obligation 8 am, 10 am, 7.30 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday	6.45 pm (not after Mass)
Saturday	10.30 – 11.15 am, 4.30 – 5.15 pm, 7 – 7.45 pm

Details of other services are published in the weekly newsletter which is available at the 6 pm Mass each Saturday – copies are available in the Church Centre.

WHAT'S ON?

3rd	Closing Date – Independent Member—Police Authority
5th	Coffee morning – Library
5th	NWR – Botanic Gardens
7th	Book Sale – Library
7th	Draw date – Social Club
9th	Residents' Association meets
12th	Women's Land Army – Library
14th	Register for Holiday Club
19th	NWR – Case History
19th	Parish Council meets
21st	Draw date – Social Club
22nd	Ladies Golf – Menzies Hotel

Tues and Thurs – Air Cadets
Tues – Cricket
Mons, Tues, Thurs - Tennis

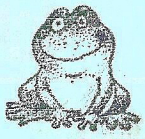
Summer Images

See the wild flowers, in their morn
Of beauty, feeding on joy's luscious hours;
The gay convolvulus, wreathing around the thorn
Agape for honey showers;
And slender kingcup, burnished with the dew
Of morning's early hours, like gold minted anew.

Rich music breathes in summer's every sound;
And in her harmony of varied greens,
Woods, meadows, hedgerows, cornfields, all around
Much beauty intervenes
Filling with harmony the ear and eye;
While over the mingling scenes
Far spreads the laughing sky.

I love to walk the fields, they are to me
A legacy no evil can destroy;
They, like a spell, set every rapture free
That cheered me when a boy
Play, pastime – all time's blotting pen conceal'd,
Comes like a new-born joy,
To greet me in the fields.
(John Clare (1793-1864))

Nick Richardson



Anything dead … or interesting, please let me know on 07786950684

Happy Hours
The re-cycled Youth Club

Once again we are having trouble with cyclists using the pathways in the village in quite a dangerous manner. Elderly members of the community cannot hear cycles coming from behind, and may stagger into the path of a cycle causing an accident. I would appeal to all cyclists, and parents of young cyclists, to have a bell on their cycle, and to use the bell when passing by pedestrians. Unfortunately, we do not have any Police patrolling the village at present to enforce this rule. However, I would appeal to our Police Support Officer, Karen Mahoney, to pay attention to people riding cycles without a bell or warning instrument, and to advise them accordingly.

Village Fête We will be holding a stall at this year's Fête, and many of our members are preparing items or memories relating to the 1940's. I'm sure that our age group has much to recall from this period.

Rose Garden I am glad to hear that the Parish Council have now taken on the project of restoring the village rose garden, and are forming a committee to look into the matter. Phyllis James will be representing Happy Hours, but we are still looking for one or two of our male members to offer some help.

Outings Our next outing will be held on Wednesday 4 June when we will be travelling to Nottingham to board a boat for a trip on the river Trent. The trip includes a three-course lunch and, of course, there will be a well stocked bar as well.

Holidays Our recent five-day holiday to Torquay was very successful apart from the weather. We had plenty of rain but nevertheless we were able to enjoy visits to Buckfast Abbey, and then the Cider Press Village at Dartington where there were some wonderful displays of Dartington glass, together with many other collectables. The following day we caught a boat at Torquay harbour and had nearly a two-hour cruise from Torbay and along the coast to the mouth of the river Dart and then into Dartmouth. This is a delightful little town with much history, and also the home of the Dartmouth Naval College. Following lunch in an historic hotel dating back t 1595 we were able to explore the many quaint little shops in the town. At 3 pm we re-boarded the boat for our two-hour return trip. A good day out with only one shower of rain. The following day we travelled to Totnes, another small town steeped in history, with many small shops with beautiful displays of goods just like years gone by … We stayed at the Bancourt Hotel, a family run hotel, with good accommodation, good food and first class entertainment each evening. Our good friend Fred Styles won a large teddy bear in a competition for a local charity. Fred in his usual manner gave his prize to the Club for one of the prizes on our stall at the village fête. Well done Fred: your action is appreciated and will no doubt bring some joy to some hopeful village youngster … Finally, our grateful thanks to Helen Collins, who organised the trip, and our coach driver Tony for an excellent holiday.

Sickness I am pleased to say that Ruby Hunt has returned home from hospital after weeks of treatment for her stroke. Unfortunately whilst she was in hospital her husband Sid had an attack of double pneumonia and also ended up in hospital. Both are now at home slowly recovering, but with little help from Social Services. We will keep in touch, and hope that they may both regain their former health.

Dennis Holt
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RESIDENT'S ASSOCIATION

Interested residents are always welcome at our meetings which are normally held on the second Monday of the month at the Parish Offices at 8 pm. The next meeting will be on 9 June .

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